

Acme Chair Co.

FOLDING CHAIRS FOR

CHURCH, HALL AND
UNDERTAKERS USE

C. D. SCHERMERHORN, PROPRIETOR

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MAY, 1896.

REVISED PRICE LIST OF FOLDING CHAIRS
Manufactured by the Acme Chair Company, Reading, Michigan.

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NO.	CAMP STOOLS.	PER DOZ.	NO.	FOLDING TABLES.	PER DOZ.		
o	Oval legs, duck seat, not varnished,	\$2.75	18x36	Elm tops,	\$1 .25		
oo	Turned legs, light finish, duck seat,	3 50	21x34	Elm tops,	13 00		
ooo	Turned legs, light finish, carpet seat,	4 75	23½x34	Elm tops,	15 00		
WOOD SEAT FOLDING CHAIRS.							
12	Hard elm frame, nat. finish, slat seat only,	5.50	30	Maple, light finish, canvas seat,	6.00		
2	Maple or beach, light finish, slat seat only,	6.00	30	Maple, light finish, tapestry carpet seat,	8 00		
4	Maple or Beach stock, light finish	6.25	32	Polished Oak,	15.00		
4	Oak, natural finish,	6.75	32	Maple, polished, light finish,	12 00		
14	Oak, natural finish,	6.75	44	Oak, natural finish, tapestry carpet seat,	9 75		
14	Maple, light finish,	6.25	26	Oak, natural finish, body or velvet carpet,	12 00		
42	Maple, light finish,	7.00	28	Oak, natural finish, body or velvet carpet,	12.00		
42	Oak, natural finish,	7.50	46	Oak, natural finish, body or velvet carpet,	10.50		
36	Oak, natural finish, sections only,	8.25	48	Oak, polish finish, body or velvet carpet,	15.00		
36	Maple, light finish, sections only,	7.75	58	Oak, polish finish, body or velvet carpet,	15 00		
38	Maple, light finish,	7.75	52	Solid oak, gloss finish, brussels carpet,	11.50		
38	Oak, natural finish,	8.25	50	Solid oak, gloss finish, brussels carpet,	12.50		
42½	Maple, light finish,	6.50	FOLDING CHAIRS, PLUSH SEATS.				
42½	Oak, natural finish,	7.00	34	Oak, natural finish, crush plush,	13.50		
10	Maple, light finish, slat seat,	7.25	34	Oak, natural finish, car plush,	15.00		
10	Oak, natural finish, slat seat,	8.25	50	Solid oak frames, gloss finish, crush plush,	13 00		
52	Slat or perforated seat,	9 00	52	Solid oak frames, gloss finish, crush plush,	12 00		
50	Slat or perforated seat,	9 50	1869	Solid oak, rub fh, car plush seat & back,	18.00		

In ordering, please state the kind of seat wanted—slat, perforated, carpet or plush.

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OF THE . . .

ACME FOLDING CHAIR COMPANY

WHOLESALE MANUFACTURERS OF

Canvas Seat, Slat Seat, Veneer Seat, Carpet Seat
and Plush Seat Folding Chairs.

. . . FOR . . .

CAMPERS', CATERERS', UNDERTAKERS', SOCIETIES', CHURCH, OR HALL USE

C. D. SHERMERHORN, Proprietor,
READING, - - - - - MICHIGAN.

TO THE TRADE.



N presenting our Spring Catalogue for 1896, we feel sure its pages will be of interest to all purchasers of Folding Chairs. We show in this catalogue one of the most complete lines, in this class of goods, shown by any firm in the United States. We were first to introduce, in the perfect slat for camp-chair seating, a seat which at once recommended itself to all who use chairs that are sometimes exposed to moisture. In this catalogue we show you, for the first time, an improved way of putting on carpet or plush seats, to avoid the use of gimp or nails on the seat surface, and, at the same time, have so constructed the seat that the material used cannot possibly loosen or sag. With our extensive experience in this line of work, and our unequaled facilities in the way of new and expensive machinery, specially adapted to our purpose, we are able to produce Folding Chairs for Halls, Churches, Societies, and Undertakers' uses, of a superior quality and finish, and at prices as low as corresponding grades can possibly be offered. We do not aim to manufacture the cheapest chair on earth, but we do propose to give to our customers the best values for their investment, quality being considered.

Respectfully,

C. D. SCHERMERHORN,

PROPRIETOR.

ACME CHAIR COMPANY.

. . NOTICE . .

Chairs Nos. 2, 4, 10, 14, 34, 38, 42, 44, 46, and 48, can be coupled in sections of from 2 to 6 chairs in section, as shown on page 25. The coupling strips are bored and fitted to suit the length of section wanted, and are furnished, together with all necessary screws for fastening on, at a cost of only 75 cents for each dozen chairs.



NOTICE.— That as Folding Chairs are our specialty, and we have all the conveniences for this kind of work, we would consider it a favor to receive for estimate any special work in this line you may wish to have done.



NOTICE.— If desired, we letter, without additional cost, on back of chair slat or bottom of chair seat (as preferred), the name of the firm, society, order, or person ordering. When such lettering is wanted, please bear in mind that as the stenciling should be done before the chair is varnished, this special work will cause a delay of shipment of from five to ten days.



NOTICE.— We carry the largest stock of manufactured goods, in this line, of any firm in the market, and we are able to fill promptly large *rush* orders.



OUR TERMS:

F. O. B. READING, MICH.



To those having satisfactory financial rating, a credit of thirty days will be given. For prompt remittance on receipt of goods, a cash discount of 2 per cent. will be allowed.

WE DO NOT PAY FREIGHT,

Neither does any other dealer, for that matter. The misleading statement that "Jones pays the freight," is absurd. When the seller pays freight, he simply adds this item to the price of his goods, and the purchaser foots the whole bill. Where the transportation charges are to be paid by customer, the seller does not add this item to cost of goods, hence, is able to make price correspondingly less than in first instance. Now, to this, add the freight, and the gross cost of any given article will be the same.

 WRITE FOR DELIVERED PRICES ON LARGE LOTS.

.. NO. 1896 ..

NEW-YEAR OFFERING.

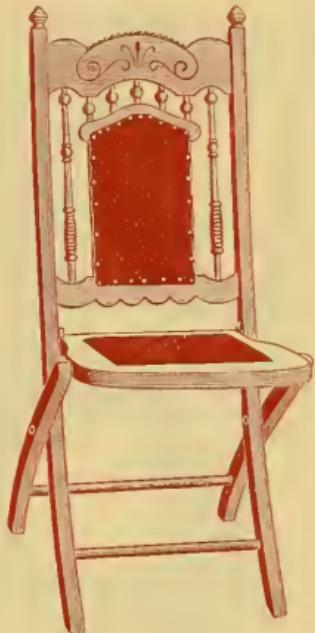
The finest Undertakers' chairs on the market, plush seat and back. Seat upholstered, and warranted not to sag. Solid oak frames. Elegantly finished in natural or antique; folds very quietly, connecting rod being cased with rubber, and runs in leather guides. Will stand upright and alone when folded. Nests very closely, and is light and strong. To Undertakers that want the finest thing out, we will submit a sample of this Chair at dozen prices, knowing that it will recommend itself at sight.

Upholstered in crushed or car plush.

Size of seat,	14 x 15 inches.
Height of seat from floor, . . .	17½ "
Length of chair post,	38 "
Weight, 90 pounds to the dozen.	

Crated in packages of one dozen each. No charge for crating.
No charge for lettering firm name on each chair ordered.

Write for Special Prices, naming quantities wanted.



No. 1869.



No. 58.

. . NO. 58 . .



While we make all the cheaper grades of Folding Chairs that are being offered to the trade, we also make some of the higher class of Folding Chairs, that can be found nowhere else. This chair is designed for first-class Undertakers' use, and for choir seating. Nests very closely when folded. Frames are polished oak, natural or antique; seat is best body or velvet carpet in desirable patterns.

Size of seat,	14 x 14 inches.
Height of seat from floor,	17 "
Height of post,	37 "
Weight, 90 pounds to the dozen.	

Paper wrapped, in packages of twelve, and crated. No charge for crating.

Write for Special Prices, naming quantities wanted.

. . NO. 34 .



A most elegant Chair for a stylish Undertaker's outfit, or church or choir seating. The frames are of solid oak, with antique or natural finish. The covering used on seat and back is a high grade of crushed or car plush, in red, blue, or olive, as desired. This style of chair is just the thing for those who want the best.

Size of seat. 14 x 14 inches.

Height of seat from floor, . . . 17 "

Height of post, 38 "

Weight, 90 pounds to the dozen.

Paper wrapped, in packages of six, and crated. No charge for crating.

Write for Special Prices, naming quantities wanted.



No. 34, Oak.



No. 32.

. . NO. 32 . .



The ideal Folder, where economy of space is necessary, occupies a space only 3 x 16 x 26 inches when folded. Made from finest straight-grained rock maple or oak. Elegant polish finish. Body Brussels or velvet carpet seat.

Size of seat, 13½ x 14 inches.

Distance from floor to seat, 17 "

Height over all, when open, 32 "

Weight, 60 pounds to the dozen.

Paper wrapped and crated. No charge for crating.

Write for Special Prices, naming quantities wanted.

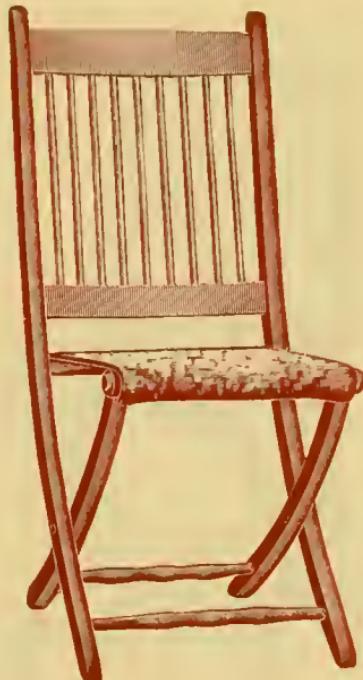
. . . NO. 26 .

In this number you will notice we illustrate a Chair that has been tried and not found wanting, for a period of at least twenty years. We only make this Chair with oak frames, and from the best selected stock, giving them a maximum of strength, with a minimum of weight. The carpet used on this Chair is of the best quality body Brussels or velvet, and of desirable patterns. We also take special pains in the finish of this number, aiming to make it a desirable part of a first-class Undertaker's outfit.

Size of seat,	13½ x 14 inches.
Height of seat from floor,	17 "
Height of post,	39 "
Weight, 80 pounds to the dozen.	

Paper wrapped, in packages of twelve, and crated. No charge for crating.

Write for Special Prices, naming quantities wanted.



No. 26.



No. 28.

. . . NO. 28 . .

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The accompanying cut represents one of the staple Chairs for Undertakers' trade. They nest very closely when folded: are light in weight, yet strong. Frames made from selected oak, and nicely finished. Has carpet seat.

Size of seat,	$13\frac{1}{2}$ x 14 inches.
Height of seat from floor,	17 "
Height of post,	39 "
Weight, 80 pounds to the dozen.	

Paper wrapped, in packages of twelve, and crated. No charge for crating.

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Write for Special Prices, naming quantities wanted.

. . . NO. 48 . . .



On this page we show a Chair that can only be of use to those who want the very best the market affords. Has polished oak frames, car plush, body, or velvet carpet seat, stuffed. The seat on this Chair is put in same as on Nos. 44 and 46, which insures against cover sagging or loosening from seat frame.

Size of seat,	14 x 15 inches.
Height of seat from floor,	17 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
Height of post,	38 "

Paper wrapped, in packages of six, and crated. No charge for crating.

Write for Special Prices, naming quantities wanted.



No. 48.



Closed.

Open.

. . NO. 30 . .



This Chair, so far as folding is concerned, is built on the same plan as No. 32. *A little Samson in strength*, being made from straight-grained maple stock. Occupies a space $3 \times 15\frac{1}{2} \times 26$ inches, when closed. A most desirable low-priced Chair for Undertakers' or campers' use.

Entire height when open, . . . 31 inches.
Height from floor to seat, . . . 17 "
Weight, 60 pounds to the dozen.

Paper wrapped and crated, twelve in each crate.
No charge for crating.

Write for Special Prices, naming quantities wanted.

. . . NO. 46 . .



This is another of our improved carpet seat Chairs. Differs but little from No. 44, only in style of frame and quality of carpet used. Has our special seat, which is warranted not to loosen or sag. Has body Brussels or velvet carpet seat, and solid oak frame. Finished natural or antique.

Size of seat frame, 14 x 15 inches.

Height of seat from floor, 18 "

Height of post from floor, 38 "

Weight, 90 pounds to the dozen.

Paper wrapped, in packages of six.

Write for Special Prices, naming quantities wanted.



No. 46.



No. 44.

. . . NO. 44 . . .



On this page we show you one of our new carpet seats, of which we are exclusive manufacturers. You will notice that on this seat there are no nails to loosen or annoy, nor gimp or binding to fade or tear off. The seat covering is fastened on inside of seat frame, and the filling is pressed in from bottom. We warrant these seats neither to loosen nor sag, and to retain a smooth, even surface. The frames are of solid oak. Have tapestry Brussels carpet seat, assorted patterns. Are finished natural or antique.

Size of seat,	14 x 15 inches.
Height of seat from floor,	18 "
Height of post from floor,	38 "
Weight, 90 pounds to the dozen.	

Paper wrapped, in packages of six.

Write for Special Prices, naming quantities wanted.

. . NO. 14 . .



Like No. 4, is one of the strongest chairs on the market, weight being considered, and in all respects the same as No. 4, except the seat, which is of perforated 3-ply veneer. Has best malleable castings. Occupies very small space when folded, and is very desirable as a caterer's or Undertaker's chair.

Size of seat, $14\frac{1}{4} \times 14\frac{1}{2}$ inches.

Height of seat from floor, . . . $16\frac{1}{2}$ "

Height of post from floor, . . . 36 "

Weight, 90 pounds to the dozen.

Paper wrapped, in packages of six.

This chair is also made with seat 18 inches from floor, and post 38 inches high, if preferred.

Write for Special Prices, naming quantities wanted.



No. 14.



. NO. 42 . .

This is a somewhat heavier chair than No. 4 or 14. Weighs 100 pounds to the dozen. Has sweep back containing nine one-half-inch spindles, and is specially adapted to lodges and halls. Is well made, smoothly finished, *and is very strong*. Has slat or perforated seat, and is the handsomest and most compact Chair on the market; and for ease in sitting, pleasing outlines, and durability, cannot be excelled.

Size of seat,	14 x 15 inches.
Height of seat from floor, . . .	18 "
Height of post,	38 "

Paper wrapped, in packages of six.

Write for Special Prices, naming quantities wanted.

. . NO. 4 . .



This is the standard Folding Chair of America. Has slat seat. Is made of maple or oak timber. Has malleable iron seat castings. Light finish, unless otherwise ordered. Each Chair will stand upright and alone, without support, when closed—a feature that will recommend itself to Undertakers.

Size of seat, $14\frac{1}{2} \times 14\frac{1}{2}$ inches.

Height of seat from floor, $16\frac{1}{2}$ "

Height of post, 36 "

Weight, 90 pounds to the dozen.

Paper wrapped, in packages of six.

This Chair is also made with seat 18 inches from floor, and post 38 inches high, if preferred.

Write for Special Prices, naming quantities wanted.



Open.



No. 10.

. . . NO. 10 . . .



On this page we show a very tasty design of Folding Chair. This Chair is especially designed for Church or Undertakers' use. Has folding rod cased with rubber, also has rubber cushions on Chair posts, where seat rests when folded, making it practically noiseless; will stand without support when folded. Made from selected maple stock, finished natural. Is made in slat or perforated seat. Satisfaction guaranteed on each and every sale of this number.

Size of seat, $14\frac{1}{2} \times 14\frac{1}{2}$ inches.

Height of seat from floor, 17 "

Length of chair post, 36 $\frac{1}{2}$ "

Weight, 90 pounds to the dozen.

Paper wrapped, in packages of six.

Write for Special Prices, naming quantities wanted.

. . NO. 38 . .



This Chair is the same in material, finish, and general appearance as that of No. 42, except that it has perforated veneer seat and back. Has same size and height of seat, and length of post. Designed especially for hall or assembly seating.

Weight, 100 pounds to the dozen.

Paper wrapped, in packages of six.

Write for Special Prices, naming quantities wanted.



Open.

Closed.



No. 2.

. . . NO. 2 . .

We would call the special attention of our patrons to the Chair shown on this page. You will notice at once the improved appearance of the seat, as compared with the seat in a similar Chair manufactured by other parties. We have so arranged the seat that we avoid cutting away the sides to allow seat to fold, and in so doing greatly strengthen the Chair, and at the same time improve its appearance. As we now make this Chair, it is the best Chair for the price on the market, being both strong and durable, and folds perfectly flat. Has slat or perforated seat. Occupies a space $1\frac{3}{8} \times 16 \times 37$ inches, when folded.

Size of seat, $12\frac{1}{2} \times 13\frac{1}{2}$ inches.

Height of seat from floor, 17 "

Height of post, 36 "

Weight, 70 pounds to the dozen.

Paper wrapped, in packages of 12.

Write for Special Prices, naming quantities wanted.

. . NO. 42 $\frac{1}{2}$. .



This Chair is same as No. 42, except that it is reduced in size to suit the wants of juvenile classes in Sunday-school rooms. It is made from carefully selected stock, and meets a long-felt want by those who need portable seating for this purpose. Can be coupled in sections. Has slat seat only. Made in oak or maple, finished natural.

Weight, 70 pounds to the dozen. Paper wrapped, in packages of six.

Write for Special Prices, naming quantities wanted.



Open.

Closed.



No. 12.

. . . NO. 12 . .

As there is a demand for a strong, serviceable Folding Chair, at a very low price, we have designed No. 12 exactly to meet this demand. This Chair is equally as strong as No. 4, but not quite as smoothly finished. No defects that will in any way weaken the Chair are allowed to be used in its construction. Made entirely of hard wood, and finished natural.

Size of seat, $14\frac{1}{2} \times 14\frac{1}{2}$ inches.

Height of seat from floor, $16\frac{1}{2}$ "

Length of post, 36 "

Weight, 85 pounds to the dozen.

Paper wrapped, in packages of six.

We also make this chair with seat 18 inches from floor, if preferred.

Write for Special Prices on large lots.

. . . NO. 50 . . .

This is one of our newest designs, and is certainly a beauty. It is made in oak or maple, and is put up in slat, perforated, carpet, or plush seats. We use oak frames when carpet or plush seats are wanted, unless otherwise ordered. Where slat or perforated seats are wanted, we use maple frames, unless ordered otherwise. In this Chair, when carpet or plush seat is wanted, we use our improved method of fastening the cloth to seat frames, dispensing with tacks or gimp, and guarantee the cloth not to sag. We use leather guides on the folding rod to make the Chair very quiet in folding.

Finished antique or natural in gloss, unless otherwise ordered.

Size of seat,	14 x 15 inches.
Height of seat from floor,	17½ "
Length of post,	38 "
Weight, 85 pounds to the dozen.	

Put up in packages of six.

Maple paper wrapped, oak crated.



No. 50.

Write for Special Prices on large lots.



No. 52.

. . . NO. 52 . .



We make this number in oak or maple, with slat, veneer, carpet, or plush seats. This is also one of our newest styles for 1896, and for a medium priced Undertakers' or Church Chair has no equal.

Our carpet or plush seats have no tacks to loosen, and are warranted not to sag.

Oak finished, natural or antique, maple finished, light.

Size of seat,	14 x 15 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches.
Height of seat from floor,	17 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
Length of post,	38 "
Weight, 90 pounds to the dozen	

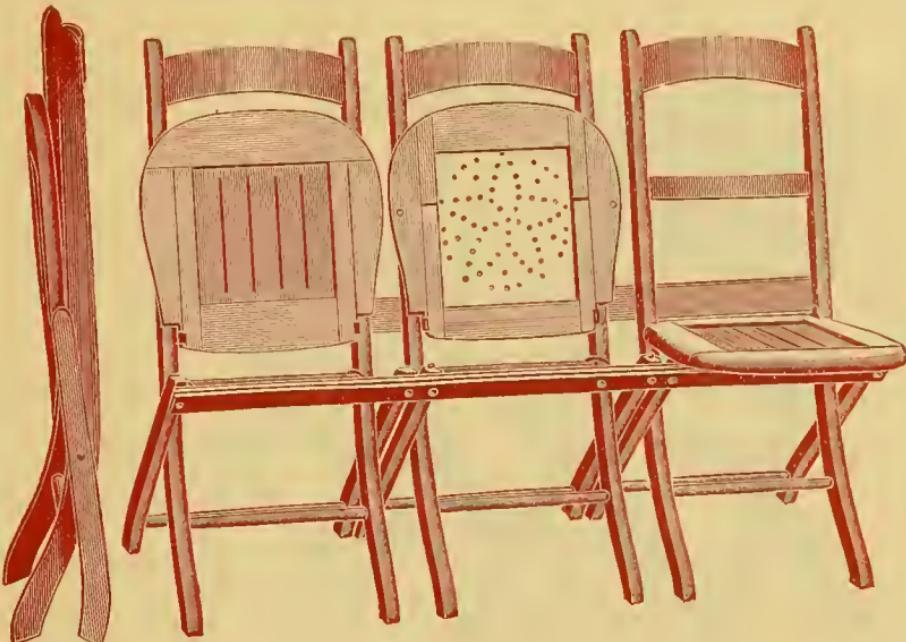
Maple put up in bundles of six, and paper wrapped, oak put up in crates of six.

Write for Special Prices on large lots, stating quantities wanted.

. . . NO. 36 . .

On this page we illustrate a very desirable Chair for hall seating, for which purpose it was specially designed. In the construction of this number we have had special regard to its general appearance, strength, comfort in sitting, and the very limited floor space which it occupies. When Chair is in position for use, the legs only occupy a space of 16 inches, yet seat is perfectly balanced. When Chair is in position for use, and seat is thrown back, the aisle is widened six inches. The entire section can be folded into a package seven inches deep, and will stand upright, firmly and alone, thus enabling the janitor work to be easily and cheaply done. Made both in maple and oak, and in sections of two to six.

Paper wrapped, in packages of six. Coupling strips and screws furnished.



Size of seat, . . . $15 \times 15\frac{1}{2}$ inches. Height of post, 38 inches.
Height of seat from floor, 18 " Weight, 110 lbs. to the dozen.

Write for Special Prices, naming quantities wanted.



On this page we illustrate our special device to economize space when using our No. 4 or 14 for hall or assembly seating. By this arrangement, it will readily be seen that we effect a great economy of floor space, as by throwing the seat back it increases the width of aisle seven inches. These sections will also stand upright, when folded, giving a wide, unobstructed floor space, when needed for the purpose of facilitating the janitor work.

The post and leg-connecting support is of coppered chain, and drops entirely out of the way when chair is folded.

Price of section strips, with necessary screws and chains to accommodate one dozen chairs, in sections of from three to six, as desired, \$1.25 per dozen.

We also manufacture three styles of camp-stools, one of which is shown on this page.

. . NO. 0 . .

(See cut) has straight, oval-edged legs, seated with a good quality of duck, not varnished.

. . NO. 00 . .

Has machine-turned legs, seated with very heavy brown duck, and finished natural.

. . NO. 000 . .

Has nicely turned legs and rounds, and is seated with tapestry Brussels carpet; finished light or in walnut or mahogany stain. These camp-stools are all well made, and are not to be considered as competing with many worthless styles on the market, but are recommended to those who want a good article at a very low price.



No. 0.



. . . OUR . .

ACME FOLDING TABLE.

No springs, no ratchets, yet the most rigid of Folding Tables when placed in position. When set upright for use, the legs are securely locked. Reverse the position of table, and the legs are released. The most simple, yet positive, arrangement for this purpose on the market.

Made with maple legs, $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch elm tops, in the following sizes: 18x36, 21x34, and 24x34 inches.

Made in solid oak; 21 x 34, and 24 x 34 inches.

Finished antique; gloss finish.



ESTABLISHED 1860.